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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02 April 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-34 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 1-20 and 30-32 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 21-29, 33 and 34 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to election filed on Apr. 02, 2007.
2. Claims 1-20 and 30-32 have been canceled.
3. Claims 33-34 have been added.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. Claim 21-29 and 33-34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Yeh (2005/0135422).

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7. This office action is in response to election filed on Apr. 02, 2007.
claims 1-20 and 30-32 have been canceled.

8. Claims 33-34 have been added.

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Regarding claims 21-23, Yeh discloses a method and apparatus for wireless relay within a network environment network comprising: at least one layer 3 router (see fig.1 and its description), the method comprising: the wireless network receiving data packets (see fig.1, paragraph [0022], fig.3, steps S310-S350 and its description); the

wireless network modifying MAC addresses of the data packets so that the layer 2 network device perceives the wireless network as a layer 2 network (see fig.3, steps S350-S360 and its description).

Regarding claims 33-34, Yeh discloses a method and apparatus for wireless relay within a network environment network comprising: the wireless network receiving data packets (see fig.1 paragraph [0022], fig.3, steps S310-S350 and its description); the wireless network modifying MAC addresses of the data packets so that the layer 2 network device perceives the wireless network as a layer 2 network (see fig.3, steps S350-S360 and its description); the wireless network responding to an ARP of the layer 2 network device with the MAC address of the client by referencing a maintained map of IP and MAC addresses of each client device, wherein a source MAC address of the ARP response is a MAC address of a gateway of the wireless network (see fig.3, steps S350-S360, paragraphs [0024-0026] and its description).

Yeh further discloses the features described in claims 24-29 in paragraph [0024]-[0026], figs.1, 3, 5, 7 and its description).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CongVan Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-7871. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Appiah can be reached on 571-272-7904. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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